

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE UNITED STATES ELECTED OFFICE

In re Application of : Hild et al.  
Serial No. : 09/743,857 Examiner : Unassigned  
I.A. Filing Date : November 23, 1998 Art Unit : Unassigned  
For : METHOD OF TRANSMITTING INFORMATION  
DATA FROM A SENDER TO A RECEIVER VIA A  
TRANSCODER

August 8, 2001

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petitions for an extension of time for a total period of five (5) month(s) through and including August 9, 2001 to respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 mailed on February 9, 2001. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

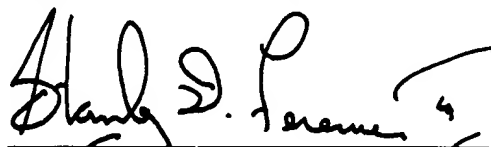
The Response for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

Applicant is other than a small entity and the extension fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) is calculated below:

		large entity	small entity
<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$110	\$55
<input type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$390	\$195
<input type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$890	\$445
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$1,390	\$695
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	five months	\$1,890	\$945

Please charge **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510** in the amount of \$1,890.00 to cover fee for a five (5) month extension of time. In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit **Deposit Account No. 50-0510** as required to correct the error. Duplicate copies of this document are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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